(c) whether Government have taken a policy decision to transfer Telephone Operators and Linemen after completing three years of service at any small telephone exchange; and

(d) if so, by when the Telephone Operators and Linemen posted at Nuh Tehsil Telephone Exchange would be transferred ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESH-WAR MISHRA):

(a) Telephone Operators 4

Linemen 3

(b) *Telephone Operators* :

Out of 4 Telephone Operators, one person is working since January, 1973, other since March 1979, third since June 1983 and fourth since August 1983.

Linemen ;

Out of 3 linemen, one is working since July 1980, other since Decem-ver 1980 and third since May 1986.

(c) There is no such policy decision.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Functioning of Nuh Tehsil Telephone Exchange, Haryana

2275. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether most of the telephones from the Nuh Tehsil Telephone Exchange, Gurgaon District, Haryana, are lying dead since the past few months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the S.D.O., Telephone Operators and Linemen posted at Nuh Tehsil Telephone Exchange have deliberately been making faults in the lines and harassing the consumers;

(d) whether Government propose to enquire the matter and if so, by when; and

(e) what other steps Government propose to take against the officials posted at Nuh Tehsil Telephone Exchange ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI JANESH-WAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Pension to Sind Freedom Fighters

2276. SHRIMATI RATAN KU-MARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received applications from Sind Freedom Fighters for grant of pension;

(b) if so, what is the number thereof alongwith the name and address of each Freedom Fighter;

(c) what is the number of such applications disposed of so far; and

(d) by when the remaining cases are likely to be cleared ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) No separate record of such cases has been maintaned.